THE NEW SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

From the minute it became generally known that Speaker Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, had decided to retire from the Speakership there ensued the hottest kind of a fight to name his successor as Speaker of the House of Representatives, a roadtion which he has held so long. Each party has its factions and long. Each party has its factions are selected in the speakership; and it is with the ulmost impatience that they walt to see who will be appointed at the opening of the first regular session of the Fitty-skith Congress.

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An an who is very strong out its two candidates in Congressman Joseph G. Man, of Aurora. Both of these genilemen have served in Congress, Cannon having entered in the Fitty-fourth House, as also idd Hopkins.

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the fact that Congressman James J. Bel-den and other Platt haters are backing him, and induced him to retire as United

public career is well known.

Thomas B. Reed is an excellent example of a politician who can work a lifetime in politics without getting rich. Living in Washington during the rest of the year and working hard all the time, he has

SONG BIRDS OF THE SUNNY SOUTH

Brief Notes on Their Habits and Vocal

GLIMPSES OF HOME LIFE.

In Southern Virginia Where the Women are Queens Endowed with All the Graces of Person and Beauties of Character,

HYDE PARK, VA., April 28.—This is a perfect April day and the orchard and woodland are crowned with wreaths or bursting bloom and blossom. The dogwood is pitching his white tent in the meadow and the crocus opens its cups of gold to catch the morning dew drops. The daffodil nods his yellow plumes by the murmuring brook and the purple violet is peeping its head from its mother-bosom. Golden orloics and bright purmaged birds, whose silver throats are quivering with melody, dart in and out maged birds, whose saver and out among the tender buds and leaflets, lisp-ing their miniature calls or twittering their gossamer medleys. Watch one of tail or brandishes it like a tiny war cluu; now he swings arily from twig to twig and anon he daris and almost turns a somersault in pursuit of a flitting insect. The Baltimore oriola whistles bilinely but makes little melody and executes no tune. But there is some compensation; his sorgeous suit of black and gold far outstlines the attire of his relative, the orchard oriole, clad in modest brick-red and black. A comparison of the yoral salent of these two species leads the vocal talent of these two species leads me to say that Lord Baltimore has as good a voice as his cousin, but lacks the orchard oriole's technical skill and varied expression. His song is quite vivaclous, the very essence of confinity and good will. It is not a mean musical per-formance either, but is distinguished by a swestness of tone and a variety of exdespised. Solde of the sall of you or dar-ting you to put salt on his tall if you can. A kind of whispering sometimes foats down from the trees which is the autu-tessence of affectionate sentiment—no love song meant only for the

IN THE SOUTH.

Last April we made a tour of the Guit States, spending a week along the coast where I was a busy lotterer on the alort for birds. April in this latitude is the counternant of June in our Middle and New England States. There can be no doubt that these orloles breed on the Guif coast, for while I have found no nests I saw one female carrying building material in her beak. It is strange how nature endows some of the humblest of her creatures, when we observe the quaint homes built by these feathered architects. The graceful, pendant nest to architects. The graceful, pendant next of the oriole, the dainty chalice of the of the oriole, the dainty chalice of the humming bird, the mere excavation of sand as made by the ostrich, or the innumerable and varied forms of nests constructed by the hosts of the feathered tribes, each and all present a remarkable adaptation to the individual requirements of the builder. But there are certain extraordinary forms which have been described by travelers that are especially described by travelers that are especially deserving of notice on account of their great size or psculiarity of construction. In regard to size may be men-tioned the nest of the mound-building meganodius a bird of Australia, which in color and size resembles the partridge. nithologist Gould, was fourteen fest high nithologist Gould, was fourteen feet high and had a circumference of one hundred and fifty feet. Compared with the size of the bird the dimensions of such a mountain are almost prodigious and we ask how, with its beak and claws only for pick axe and entire means of transport it contrives to the teacher such a mass of materials? together such a mass of materials of the first birds to attract my notice live caks and pines. He is first cousing to the scarlet tanager, whose summer habitat is more northern and who rears his family in Ohio and Kentucky. I watched a female summer tanager constructing her nest near Bixloxi, one of the most beautiful points on the delightful trip between Mobile and New Orleans. She was daintily laying her flexible timbers in a crotch on the horizontal branch of a pine tree about twenty feet from the of a pine tree about twenty feet from the of a pine tree shoult twenty rect from the ground, and fitting her pretty olive-green bosom to the cup and planting the ma-terial with her bill. I could not help ad-miring her, for she were an orange yel-low sash around her body, the rest of her now sash around her hody, the rest of her attire being of a decidedly darker sade. Nor was she at all shy or demura, but went on with her house-building while i stood below and played the role of Paul pry with my check the role of Paul stood below and played the role of Paul Pry with my opera glass. Quite frequently the male tangers sang their brisk soles.

MALES THE SINGERS.

1 There are many who do not know that

only the male bird of any species renders | to the growing of vegetables and fruits vocal music. It was interesting to make a comparative study of the brown thrasha comparative study of the brown thrash-er on the coast with those that migrats in summer to the north The southern thrasher need not be ashamed of his vocal powers even in case of comparison with the celebrated mocking bird. Granted that he does not possess the gift of imitation, at least To any marked degree, yet his tones are powerful, often exquisitely sweet and his technical skill is sometimes marvelous. Then he infuses s sometimes marvelous. Then he infuses to much passion and unctuousness into almost all his strains are borrowed from his fellow-minstrels of birdiand. I do not mean to disparage the mocker's vocal pifts. I only want to do justice to the thrasher which has obvious points of superiority as a lyrist. Down where the guil breeze blows blandly the thrashers were busy with their household outles, already rearring their families, while their relatives possessed by the migrating marelatives possessed by the migrating ma-nia, were just arriving at their northern homes and would scarcely hatch their first broods for a month. I found the wood thrush more numerous

I found the wood thrush more numerous there than in Virginla and their notes are rhythmic and more melifluous in that nearly tropical climate than here in the Middle States. Their song is slow and deliberate, but in the richness of their trilling and warbling the wood thrush is casily the artist of the American forest. They dwell and sing in the secluded haunts and deep ravines of the woodland and do not disance in winter.

and do not disappear in winter.

By the way, where do the linnet, the cathird, martin, swallow and many others cathrd, martin, swallow and many others seemd the winter? I wonder if any of these summer individuals first rear a family in the south and then come north-ward later in the season to continue the work of nidification. Twenty-five years ago the cathrid arrived in Virginia from his southern winter home about the middle of April and the robin had satched before the first of May. But latterly the

So much for the change of season in the late advent of spring these latter years. The linnet, that was formerly a welcome summer visitor, no longer appears in this section; and twenty years ago I could count 20 varieties of birds here in the park while now there are not over a dozen. But the ubiquitous English sparrow is flourishing in the land and that is probably the cause Did you know that instinct teaches birds to return to the GAME PIRDS.

arsues it rapidly, never opening until fer offer and turkey wing bone) when the

proach the blind and are shot down.

Deer are multiplying rapidly here in southern Virginia. Hunting deer with hounds is good sport in that it matches the instinct and speed of one animal against another and there is a poetic inspiration in the sweet echo of a winding horn reverebrating through the wooded slongs at early dawn and calling up the slopes at early dawn and calling up the responsive music of the deep-mouthed deep hounds' cheering cry and filling one with sensations no other sport awakens; with sensations no other sport awakens; and affording a foretaste of that indescribable thrill and frenzy which seize the amateur sportsman at the critical mement, causing the buck ague, and if he fires at all the shot goes wide of the mark. Grey foxes abound, but the reds from migration and other causes are almost extinct.

But, after all, that which interests anybody most about any country is its women and its homes, and Southern Virginia has her chief glory in these characteristics distinctive during past generations and yet prominent in the living

acteristics distinctive during past generations and yet prominent in the living
present—a noble womanhood born of a
land where every man is a sovereign,
every woman is a queen. Indeed, the
indefinable charm and influence of the
Southern woman never found truer exemplification than here in the good old
counties of Prince Edward, Nottoway,
Amelia, Cumberland, Dinwiddle and Lunenburg. While the Southern girl of the
old regime may be passing away with nenburg. While the Southern girl of the old regime may be passing away with other things that pass and many of the old homesteads, relies of bygone glory, are far from being in that state of prince, the days when the Virginia landlord was monarch of all he surveyed, the home life is still kept up in many cases by a strict adherence to old usages, such as the content of the still the servers are the still the servers are the still the servers are which the servers are family prayers in which the servants are included, the singing of hymns on Sunday afternoons, the reading aloud in the fam-

and even to the cultury art and house-hold management; for here you enjoy snowy pillows on Christian bods, with linen, lavender-scented sheets, and warm and feast on biscuits and rolls so light they almost fly out of the plates been seak, tender as an infant's smile and waffles to a turn. For Aunt Dinah was trained to cook by "ole missus 'fo de wah," and de muffins must be brown and the when de company command the risen when de company com;" and the cow, in honor of our coming, gives down is much passion and unctiousness the bis song. For an hour he will descant in a continuous strain, all his runs and combinations being strictly original while the mocker's song is jerky, spassioned in the strains are borrowed from this fellow-ministrels of birdiand. I do not his fellow-ministrels of birdiand. that most of the good blood in the country is in the Southern States, and in a perfectly kindly way she looks upon Northerners, Easterners and Westerners as less fortunate sisters, but in spite of this cherished conviction she is incapable of arroance. He wolks is specified by of arrogance. Her voice is sweet and her manner frank, kind, free, cordial, gentle. Until lately she was indifferent about money and enormous fortunes smacked to her of vulgarity. But in the shuffle of time positions have been strikingly reversed and in many instances she has here compelled to safer the list of breadbeen compelled to enter the list of bread-Apropos of home life in Southern Vir-

ginla we beg to present several repre-sentative matrons who are sustaining the Old Dominion's well-known prestige for

SOME PROMINENT WOMEN Among the belies of yesterday Mrs. Meredith Watson still retains the beauty of her girlhood, the refined, womanly exa never-failing courtesy of manner. She is a typical Southern woman with social gifts and tact and entertains in generous Southern style at her beautiful home, "Woodland," near Nottoway. Woodland before the first of May. But latterly the former arrives about the first of May and the latter hatches about the first of June. So much for the change of season in the late advent of spring these latter years. The linnet, that was formerly a welcome summer visitor, no longer appears in this section; and twenty years ago I could count 20 varieties of birds here in the park while now there are not over a dozen. But the pulsuitons Parkly. brance grandfather's clock, that once stood in the corner and struck the hour for the good, old-time mid-day meal, and the tea-cups that once stood on the high oak dresser in grandmother's kitchen. The grand old house (with fifteen rooms) caw the beginning of the century, and memories and there is something in the surroundings that seems to exact a trib-ute of veneration.

Mrs. Helen McLean Agnew, of Burke-

ville, is a daughter of the late Colonel Samuel McLean, who was a member of Congress from Montana and afterwards was one of Nottoway's most enterprising and public-spirited citizens. She is a re-markably clever woman with refined taste and rare literary attainments and scholarship. She is a graduate of Hollin's Institute and was a leading spirit in the literary society there and some of her papers and essays read before the faculty received the commendations of the most exacting critics. As the wife of Cashler exacting critics. As the wife of Cashler Perkin's Agnew she is the mistress of "Inverness," the fine old aristocratic estate near Burkeville. She is a sweet mother, generous friend and as long as Virginia possess such women the pan will remain with her.

Mrs. Samuel Burke, whose family were the faqueters and formerly the applicated.

Airs. Samuel Burke, whose family were the founders and formerly the principal owners of Burkeville, resides in a pic-turesque and interesting home (one hun-dred years old) built in old English style and preserved from the colonial era. It much resembles some of the pleasant homes in old Gloucester and tidewater. Va. She has a rare collection of curios, bric-a-brac and revolutionary relics, and the walls of some of the large, old-fashioned rooms are adorred with a relationed rooms are adorred with a relationed rooms are adorred with a relationship. the walls of some of the large, old-fashioned rooms are adorned with a perfectly
panorama of quaint old paintings and
pictures from Washington's day down to
the Spanish-American war: and are associated with many old Virginla houses
parties of the ante-bellum regime—the
young people filling the old rooms—the
young lovers telling the same old story—
we tread hallowed ground and are surrounded by cherished memories. Mrs.
Burke was Alice Moncure, of Caroline,
and a niece of the late Judge Moncure, of
the Court of Appeals. We mention in
passing, Hon. Walter Watson, of Nottoway, as a notable exponent of that unway, as a notable exponent of that un-unassuming modesty and courtly presence which marked the young Virginian of the olden time. He was an honored member of the State Senate at the early age of 25 and had been twice elected Commonwealth's Attorney at 31. He is a graduate of the old Hampden Sydney and the University of Virginia, and has always been versity of Virginia, and has always been possessed, especially since his college days, of a remarkable memory and conversational powers. He is a fine story-teller and throws a charm around the dryest subject, and his varied and extensive reading has made him familiar with the beauties of English literature from Militor to the lighter graces of Secti and Goldsmith. Mr. Watson is a sturdy Democrat and has illustrated in his brief public career not only the virtues of Democratic statesmanship, but also the individualism of Democratic character.

MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA. ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1258, OF THE CONDITION AND AFFAIRS OF THE MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, MADE TO THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, IN PURSUANCE TO THE LAWS OF VIRGINIA.

Principal Agent—HERBERT A. CLAIBORNE.

Secretary—EDWIN A. PALMER.

Principal Office—RICHMOND, VA.

OFRAULZER OF Incorporated—DECEMBER 25, 1784.

Commenced Business—DECEMBER 26, 1766. Value of real estate owned by the company.

ACCOUNTS OF BONDS OF THE UNITED STATES, AND OF THIS STATE AND OF OTHER STATES, AND ALSO OF BONDS OF INCOMPORATED CITIES IN THIS STATE, AND OF ALL OTHER BONDS AND STOCKS, OWNED ABSOLUTELY BY THE COMPANY.

Par Value of real estate owned by the company.

The Value of real estate owned by the company.

The Value of real estate owned by the company. Petersburg Aqueduct Company stock Total par and market value carried out at market value... \$1,345,941 65 \$1,345,105 52 at market value... The company's principal office.

Cash in the company's principal office.

Cash belonging to the company deposited in bank.

Cash belonging to the company deposited in bank.

Interest due and accrued on bonds not included in "market value".

Interest due and accrued on bonds not included in "market value".

Gress premiums (as written in the policies) in course of collection, not more than three months due and more.

Bills receivable, not matured. \$1,845,105 52 \$1,845,106 52 1,836 03 83,971 51 value"..... 1,043 68 Aggregate amount of all assets of the company, stated at their act-Total gross amount of claims for losses Net amount of unpaid losses.

Gross premiums received and receivable upon all unexpired fire risks running one year or less from date of policy, including interest premiums on perpetual fire risks, \$1,73,78; Uncarned interest premiums on perpetual fire risks, \$1,54,5; Uncarned premiums (fifty per cont).

Gross premiums received and receivable upon all unexpired fire risks, running more than one year from date of policy, \$5,225.56; Uncarned premiums (pro rata). Aggregate amount of all liabilities, including paid up capital stock, and not surplus.

RECEIPTS DURING THE YEAR. Gross premiums and bills unnaid at close of last year........
Deduct amount of same not collected...... Total. Deduct gross premiums and bills in course of collection at this Aggregate amount of receipts actually received during the year in DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE YEAR, Gross amount actually paid for losses (including \$277.50 losses Aggregate amount of actual disbursements during the year in cash. 3 28 25 05 BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA DURING THE YEAR. H. A. CLAIBORNE, Principal Agent.
EDWIN A. PALMER, Secretary.
State of Virginia, city of Richmond—ss.;
Sworn to March 25, 1866, before
C. T. LOEHR, Notary Public. Seal of Notary. HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898, OF THE CONDITION AND AFFAIRS OF THE HARTFORD FIRE INSCRANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, MADE TO THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, IN PUBLICANCE TO

President-GEORGE L. CHASE.
Secretary-P. C. ROYCE.
Principal Office-HARTFORD, CONN.
Organized or Ingress and MAY 100

Value of real estats owned by the company.

Loans on mortgage (duly recorded and being the first liens on the fea simple) upon which not more than one year's interest is due.

Loans on mortgage (first liens) upon which more than one year's interest is due.

on all said mortgage loans, \$66.96; interest acnterest due on an second crued thereon.

crued thereon.

falue of lands mortgaged, exclusive of buildings and perishable improvements; value of buildings mortgaged (insured
for fel.,00.00 as collateral). ACCOUNTS OF BONDS OF THE UNITED STATES, AND OF THIS STATE AND OF OTHER STATES, AND ALSO OF BONDS OF INCOMPORAD CITIES IN THIS STATE AND OF ALL OTHER BONDS AND STOCKS, OWNED ABSOLUTELY BY THE COMPANY.

Par Value. Market Value. PANY. Description.

Albany and Susquehanna Railroad first consolidated mortgage guaranteed bonds 10,000 00 State bonds. Warehouse Com-wharf and Warehouse Com-ret mortgage gold bonds... Belt Ballroad first mortgage ad and Stock Yards bonds of \$4,000 00 Pacific Railroad first mortgage 48,666 00 75,000 00 42,000 00 274,000.00 \$0,000 00 64,500 00 d Northwestern Railroad sink-46,000.00 54,740 00 d Northwestern Railroad sink-48,000 00 Burlington and Quincy Railroad urlington and Quincy Railroad \$0,000.00 8.118 00 6,600 00 igton and Quincy Railroad 5,600 (G Burlington and Qualcy atted bonds and Great Western Railroad or cage terminal gold bunds. Milwaukee and St. Paul (Hast-d Dakota Division) first mort-120,000 00 Chicago and Erie Railroad first mortgage gold bonds gold bonds incinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago Railroad consolidated mortgage Chicago Raliroad consolidated mortgage bonds
Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad sinking fund bonds.
Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St.
Louis (Columbus and Springfield Division) first mortgage gold bonds.
Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St.
Louis first mortgage gold bonds.
Louis first mortgage collateral trus.
(St. Louis Division) gold bonds.
Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railroad consolidated bonds.
Cleveland, Columbus, Chicannati and Indianapolis Railroad first mortgage sinking fund gold bonds.
Connecticut River Railroad bonds.
Connecticut River Railroad bonds.
Connecticut River Railroad bonds.
Dayton and Michigan Railroad guaranteed bonds.
Dayton and Michigan Railroad first mortconsolidated mortgage bonds.

Easton and Amboy Railroad first mort-119,000.00 \$5,000 00 65,450.00 70,000 00 199,000.00 200,000 00 8,000 00 11,010 00 250,000 00 288,750 00 65,000 60 eonsolidated mortgage bonds.

Easton and Amboy Railroad first mortgage guaranteed bonds.

Georgia State bonds.

Harlem River and Port Chester Railroad
guaranteed bonds.

Hartford Street Railway Company debenture bonds. 41,000 00

Hartford Street Railway
benture bonds.
Housatenic Railroad Rolling Stock certificates guaranteed.
Indianapolis and Vincennes Railroad first
mortgage garanteed bonds.
Iowa Falls and Sloux City Railroad first
mortgage bonds.
Jefferson Railroad first mortgage guaranteed gold bonds.
Lake shore and Michigas Southern Railsoad second mortgage bonds.

50,000 00

109,000 00

100,000 00

78,000 00

100,000 00

56,500 00

165,000 00

101,090 00

94,380 00

135,600 60 104,000 00

175,000 00 199,500.00 84,730.00 bonds Lenign Vailey Railroad of New York Minneapolis Union Railroad guarantee 151,500 00 gold bonds Montreal Corporation bonds. Milwankee, Lake Shore and Western Railroad ex. and imp. sinking fund gold bonds. Nashville and Decatur first mortgage sinking fund guaranteed bonds.
Northern Pacific Railroad prior lien L. G. gold bonds.
New York Central and Hudson River Railroad debenture bonds.
New York and New England Railroad first mortgage bonds.
New York New Haven and Hartford Railroad convertible debenture certinicates. 60,750 (A) 50,000 00 60,000 00 \$0,000 00 60,750 00 129,375.00 76,000 00 les ladelphia and Reading Railroad terminal gold bonds. Port Reading Railroad first mortgage gold bonds.
Richmond, Va. city bonds.
Richmond, Va. city bonds.
St. Paul and Northern Pacific Railroad general mortgage gold bonds.
St. Leuis and San Francisco Railroad general mortgage gold bonds.
Ferminal Railway Association of St. Louis first mortgage gold bonds.
Topeka, Kansas, Internal Improvement Sewer bonds.
Union Pacific Railroad first mortgage and L. G. gold bonds.
Utah and Northern Railroad first mortgade and Louis and Northern Railroad first mortgade and Louis and Northern Railroad first mortgade and bonds. \$6,000 00 113,520 (0) \$6,000.00 60,000 00 st Shore Railroad guaranteed bonds, shares Tetna National Bank, Hartford shares American National Bank, Hart-ord 15,000.00 thares Charter Oak National Bank, A shares Charker the Company Hartford Shares Connecticut River Banking I ompany Hartford Trust and Safe Desoit Company, Hartford Shares Farmers and Mechanics National Bank, Hartford Shares First National Bank, Hartford Shares Hartford Shares 2,580.00 20,400 00 54,739.09 \$5,600 00 Lie shares Mercantile National Bank, Hartford 500.00 National Exchange Bank, Hart-2,000.00 20,000 00 15,000 60 7,000 00 shares Importers and Traders Na-ional Bank, New York... shares Manhattan Company Bank, New York. 20,000 00 10:000:00 24 shares Merchants National Bank, New York. 225 shares Metropolitan National Bank, 16,700 00 York.
S. shares Metropolitan National Bank,
New York
So shares National Bank of Commerce, 22,500 00 160 Shares National Bank of Commerce, New York 30 Atlantic National Bank Boston, 70 Shares Blackstone National Bank, Ros-125 shares Boylston National Bank, Bos-12,500 00 10,000 00 10) shares First National Bank, Boston... 24 shares Fide and Leather National Bank Document 2,400.00 Bank, Boston. Bank of Commerce, Balk, Boston

32 shares National Bank of Commerce,
Boston

102 shares Second National Bank, Boston

103 shares First National Bank, Abany

103 shares Bank of Montreal, Montreal

114 shares Chicago, Burlington and Quincy
Railroad Company

105 shares Chicago, Milwaukes and St.
Paul Railroad Company,

106 shares Chicago, Milwaukes and St.
Paul Railroad Company, preferred.

206 shares Chicago and Northwestern

Railroad Company, preferred.

855 shares Chicago and Northwestern

Railroad Company, preferred.

206 shares Chicago and Northwestern

Railroad Company, preferred.

207 shares Connecticut and Passumpsio

River Hailroad Company, guaranteed.

128 shares Connecticut River Company

207 shares Connecticut River Company

207 shares Connecticut River Railroad

Company

208 shares Connecticut River Railroad

Company

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208 shares Connecticut River Railroad 3,200 00 10,000 00 71,000 00 40,000 00 \$7,000 00 29,000.00 24,200 00 2,000.00 Company
New York Central and Hudson
River Raliroad Company
1875 shares New York New Haven and
Hartford Enliroad Company
500 shares Northwestern Telegraph Com-\$0,000.00 hares Union Pacific Railroad Com-Dany
Leo shares New York, Lackawanna and
Westeen Bailroad Company.
20 shares Union Pacific, preferred.
417 shares Detroit Grand Rapids and
Western, preferred. TOTAL PAR AND MARKET VALUE OF SAME AND AMOUNT LOANED. Total par and market value (carried 5,400 00 1 4,500 00 shares Hartford Steam Boller and 2,192 00 1,600 00 Inspection Company stock 1900 Brooklyn Wharf and Warehouse 10,000.00 1,000 00 945 00 Company, bond 2000 N. Y. N. H., and Hartford Co. 4 per cent, convertible bond...... 2.450.00 Total par and market value and amount loaned thereon...... amount loaned thereon. \$12.700.00 \$19,447.00 \$14,800.00.

Cash in the company's principal office.

Cash belonging to the company deposited in bank.

Interest due and accrued on collateral loans.

Gross premiums (as written in the policies) in corse of collection, not more than three months due.

All other property belonging to the company, viz.: Rents due and accrued, \$3,194.94; Printing plant, \$23,221.00. \$13,700 00 \$19,547 00 \$14,800 00 \$ 14,800 00

Gross claims for adjusted and unpaid losses due and to become due. \$ 210,257.45

Gross losses in process of adjustment, or in suspense, including all reported and supposed losses. 253,317.39

Losses resisted, including interest, costs, and other expenses. 58,877.16

Net amount of unpaid losses..... \$ 520,752 61 \$ 520,752 01 Total unearned premiums as computed above \$4,567,997 22 \$4,963,997 22

Aggregate amount of all liabilities, including paid up capital stock, and not surplus......

IV. RECEIPTS DURING THE YEAR. Net cash actually received for premiums \$5,735,581 43 \$5,725,581 43

Net cash actually received for presidents

Received for interest on mortgages.

Received for interest and dividends on slocks and bonds, collateral loans, and from all other sources.

Income received from all other sources, viz.:

\$10.842.84

Rents.

Conscience money. Aggregate amount of receipts actually received during the year in

V. DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE YEAR. Gross amount actually paid for losses (including \$465,963.82 Fire. 100 to 100 t

Net amount paid during the year for losses \$1.447.155 46 \$3.447.155 46 \$ Aggregate amount of actual disburssements during the year, in BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA DURING THE YEAR.

Risks written. 58.03
Premiums received (gross) 100
Losses padd 45
Losses incurred 44 (Signed.)
(Signed.)
(Signed.)
Seal of Notary.

State of Connecticut, city of Hartford—as.;
Sworn to January 20, 1899, hefore
M. B. SCOTT, Notary Public.

J. B. MOORE & CO., Ag'ts, 1103 East Main Street